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Non-Responsive Amendment

In the present response, the Applicant had amended the claims to thereby overcome the restriction requirement. This action is deemed improper since, under 35 CFR 1.142, a response to a restriction requirement must include an election of group of claims to be prosecuted with or without traverse. Thus, the Applicant's response is said to be non-responsive. To this end, the Applicant is herein required to elect a group of claims, as featured in the last action (without the present claim amendments), to be examined on the merits. Finally, since the Applicant's response, under 1.111, is a bona fide response, the Applicant is given one month to respond to this correspondence.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication from the Examiner should be directed to Jean D. Janvier, whose telephone number is (571) 272-6719. The aforementioned can normally be reached Monday-Thursday from 10:00AM to 6:00 PM EST. If attempts to reach the Examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the Examiner's Supervisor, Mr. Eric W. Stamber, can be reached at (571) 272- 6724.

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